## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re	Application of:	
Tomotaka Hashimoto et al.		) Group Art Unit: 1797
Application No.: 10/561,182		) Examiner: Sun U. Kim
Filed:	December 16, 2005	)
For:	Membrane Cartridge, Membrane Separating Device, and Membrane Separating Method	Confirmation No.: 1709
P.O. I	nissioner for Patents Box 1450 ndria, VA 22313-1450	
Sir:		

## <u>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME</u>

Applicant petitions for a one month extension of time to file a reply to the final Office Action of December 4, 2008 (April 4, 2009, was a Saturday). A fee of \$130.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any additional extensions of time required to enter the attached reply and charge any additional required fees to Deposit Account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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